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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:	)	
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KOSUKE FUJIMOTO, ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/809,540	)	
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Filed: March 26, 2004	)	
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For: CONTROL APPARATUS	)	
CAPABLE OF LOW-SPEED	:	
DRIVING OF VIBRATION TYPE	)	
DRIVING APPARATUS,	:	
ACTUATING APPARATUS	)	
USING THE CONTROL	:	
APPARATUS, CONTROL	)	
METHOD CAPABLE OF LOW-	:	
SPEED DRIVING OF VIBRATION	)	
TYPE DRIVING APPARATUS,	:	
AND STORAGE MEDIUM	)	
STORING PROGRAM	:	
INCLUDING PROGRAM CODES	)	
CAPABLE OF REALIZING THE	:	
CONTROL METHOD	)	April 22, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

FOREIGN PATENTS:

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
2001-157473	Japan	June 8, 2001
2002-176788	Japan	June 21, 2002
8-80073	Japan	March 22, 1996

REMARKS

The JP '473, '788 and '073 references are cited at pages 1, 2 and 5 of the specification, respectively, and the '424 U.S. patent is cited at page 3 of the specification; each is believed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. English translations of the Japanese patent documents are not presently available to Applicants' attorney, but may be provided if required by the Examiner. An English abstract for each of the JP '473, '788 and '073 references obtained from a commercial database also is enclosed as an English language statement of relevance for the Examiner's consideration.

FEE STATEMENT

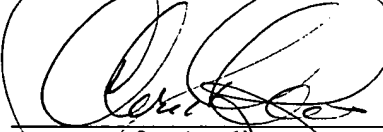
The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of an initial official action. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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